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1400 South 19th Avenue Bozeman, MT 59718 December 20, 2018

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The enclosed Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared to lease approximately 3 acres of public land from the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) along the Yellowstone River for the purpose of providing public access to the Yellowstone River and developing a fishing access site (FAS). Proposed developments include a gravel parking area, a boat ramp, a ramp staging area, a gravel access road, a concrete vault latrine, boundary fencing, and informational signs. Development of the site would require upgrades be made to the Montana Rail Link crossing to meet public crossing standards and to insure public safety. Development of the site would provide an important access point on the Yellowstone River for boaters and floaters, providing strategic access between existing FAS's and replacing an FAS that is no longer suitable for launching boats.

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks invites you to comment on the attached proposal. The public comment period will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. January 18, 2019. Comments should be sent to the following:

Jay Pape FAS Manager 1400 S 19th Avenue Bozeman, MT 59718

Or e-mail to jpape@mt.gov

Sincerely,

Mark Deleray

Region Three Supervisor

Attachment